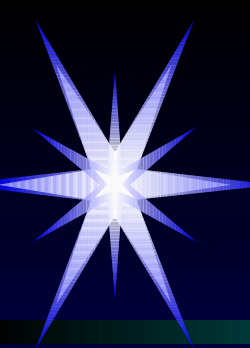


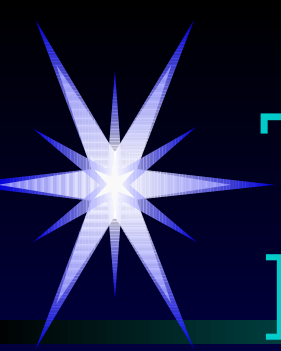
Response to a Need -

The US Air Force Singles
Conference:
Past, Present & Future



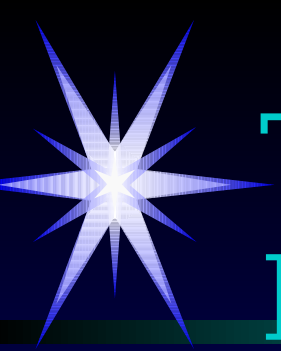
The Past...

- Begun in Mid-Nineties (1995-1999)
 - ▢ Held in the Rockies at Estes Park, Colorado
 - ▢ High Profile Ecumenical “Retreat”
Concept - Benefiting Individuals
 - “Recruiting” Aimed at Young Adult Singles
 - ▢ Cost heavily subsidized by Base Chapels
 - ▢ Focus was Learning, Fellowship, & FUN!
 - ▢ A Truly “Buster-Oriented” Event



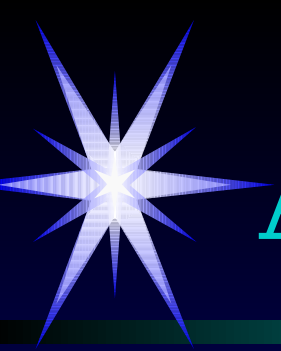
The Present...A Major Redesign

- ▶ The “Up Side”- The old model worked well
 - ▶ Highly Enthusiastic Participants (400-550/yr)
 - ▢ Many Accounts of Significant Life Changes
 - ▢ Many Requests for Continuing in Same Format



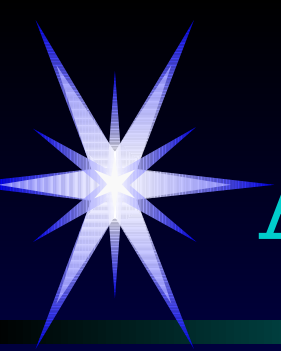
The Present...A Major Redesign

- The “Down Side”
 - Very Expensive in time and money
 - ▢ Showed little impact at local Base Chapels
 - ▢ Became increasingly difficult to justify to senior leaders



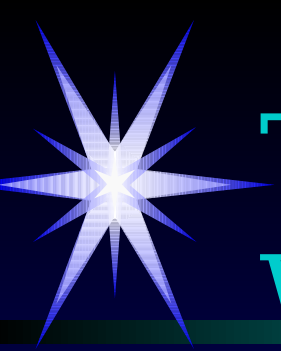
A Mandate for Change...

- September 1999 - Briefed by the Chief of the Chaplain Service...
 - Changed to AF Singles ***Leadership*** Conference
 - ▢ Focus would now be on ***Training***
 - Teams from ***EVERY BASE IN THE AF***
 - ▢ Teams to include: Chaplain, 2 Young Adults, from each parish, and a CSSP
 - ▢ Teams prepared to develop SAM/YAM at home



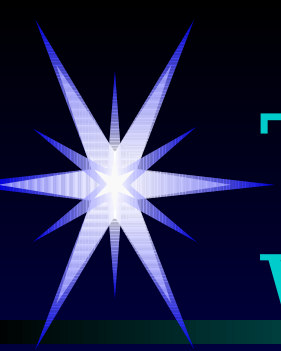
A Mandate for Change...

- ▢ Conference to be more strongly Ecumenical and Diversified
 - ▢ Stronger Catholic & Orthodox Presence in:
 - Conference Planning
 - ▢ Speakers/Presenters
 - ▢ Musicians
 - ▢ Stronger Ethnic Representation in:
 - ▢ Music Styles



The Future... Where We're Headed

- ▢ We're Still at Estes Park, Colorado
- ▢ Many of the “Fun Elements” are Retained
 - ▢ Nightly “Celebration” Events
 - ▢ Nightly “Café Colorado” Fellowship Times



The Future... Where We're Headed

► But:

► Instead of “Open to All Comers”...

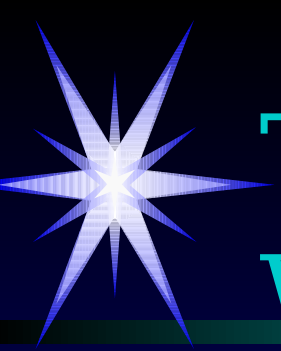
- Must be selected to come as part of a Team (TDY)

▢ Instead of Elective Classes...

- ▢ A “Track System” (Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox, CSSP)

▢ Instead of “Mega” Recreation Events...

- ▢ Time Allotted for Team and Individual Recreation



The Future... Where We're Headed

- PLUS:

- Teams will be allotted time for group process, team building, and planning
- ▢ Each team will develop a basic plan to take home to implement
 - Tailored to the specific needs of their situation